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SUBJECT: GOM AND MEXICO CITY PRESS CONTINUE HAMMERING ON
BRACERO ISSUES, DISCOVER NEW "OUTRAGES".

1. FONMIN RABASA TOLD NEWSMEN AUGUST 23 THAT HE HAD NO INTENTION OF LETTING UP IN HIS CAMPAIGN TO SECURE A BRACERO AGREEMENT WITH THE US, NOTWITHSTANDING OUR ARGUMENT THAT SUCH AGREEMENT WOULD AGGRAVATE OUR OWN UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM. RABASA DISMISSED THIS CONCERN, ASSERTING THAT BRACEROS WERE NEEDED IN US TO PERFORM JOBS NO ONE ELSE WOULD ACCEPT IN ANY EVENT. ASKED WHETHER HE WOULD PURSUE THIS TOPIC PERSONALLY WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER, RABASA REPLIED "PERHAPS."

2. LOCAL PRESS MEANWHILE RELISHED REPORTS OF ALLEGED CORRUPTION IN INS AND HEADLINED SAXBE'S WARNING THAT ANYONE REFUSING TO COOPERATE WITH JUSTICE DEPT. INVESTIGATION OF CHARGES WOULD BE SUMMARILY DISMISSED.

3. EXCELSIOR, LEADING MEXICO CITY DAILY, ALSO RAN REPORTS OVER WEEKEND OF CHARGES THAT INS AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES WERE FORCING STERILIZATION UPON SPANISH-SPEAKING MEN AND WOMEN. REPORTS QUOTED INFLAMMATORY STATEMENTS BY
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ONE SOLEDAD ALATORRE, PRESIDENT OF "CENTRO DE ACCION

SOCIAL AUTONOMO -- CASA", DATELINED LOS ANGELES, TO EFFECT THAT AUTHORITIES WERE SECRETLY INFLECTING OPERATIONS ON BROWNSKINNED PERSONS BEING TREATED FOR OTHER MEDICAL PROBLEMS IN AREAS PUBLIC HEALTH INSTITUTIONS. EXCELSIOR RAN STRONGLY WORDED EDITORIAL AUGUST 26 CONDEMNING SUCH DECEPTIVE PRACTICE.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE PROVIDE ANY INFO EMBASSY CAN USE IN REPLYING TO STERILIZATION CHARGES AND PARTICULARLY ANY BACKGROUND ON "CASA". SINCE ALLEGATIONS SO NEATLY COMBINE ISSUES OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION AND POPULATION POLICY, THEY ARE LIKELY TO PROVE IRRESTIBLE TO FURTHER EXPLOITATION HERE.
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